

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 02-285-A)**

**PATENT**

<b>In application of:</b>	)	
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<b>Paver et al.</b>	)	<b>Before the Examiner:</b>
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<b>Serial No. To be assigned</b>	)	
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<b>Filed: February 3, 2004</b>	)	
	)	<b>Group Art Unit:</b>
<b>For: Bearing Component Masking Unit</b>	)	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**Sir:**

The Examiner is respectfully requested to make the following preliminary amendments. This is a Divisional Application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/298,758, that is set to issue as a patent. Claims 29-31 were previously restricted out in Application Serial No. 10/298,758.

Applicants present a complete listing of the claims, including cancelled and pending claims, beginning at page 2.

An amendment to the specification begins on page 4.

The Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.